

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

PATRISHA PLATT,

Plaintiff,

v.

EVERGREEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 3:21-cv-5852

ORDER ON STIPULATED MOTION FOR
A CONTINUANCE

This matter comes before the Court on the parties' stipulated motion to continue the deadlines set forth in the December 1, 2022, Minute Order Resetting Trial and Pretrial Dates. Dkt. No. 20. The parties state they require additional time "to further explore a possible resolution of this matter." The parties report they will complete a mediation on July 24, 2023. To explore alternative resolution, the parties seek a 120-day extension.

Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16(b)(4), a scheduling order "may be modified only for good cause and with the judge's consent." Good cause exists if the pretrial schedule "cannot reasonably be met despite the diligence of the party seeking the extension." Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b) advisory committee's note to 1983 amendment. The Court finds good cause given the parties' diligent efforts to resolve this case by scheduling a mediation. *See* Dkt. No. 20 at 2.

Accordingly, the Court orders that the trial date be continued to April 29, 2024, with the related dates continued as follows:

JURY TRIAL begins	April 29, 2024
Length of trial	5 days
Disclosure of expert testimony under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)	October 2, 2023
Disclosure of rebuttal expert testimony under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)	November 1, 2023
All motions related to discovery must be filed by (see LCR 7(d))	November 1, 2023
Discovery completed by	December 1, 2023
All dispositive motions and motions challenging expert witness testimony must be filed by (see LCR 7(d))	January 2, 2024
Settlement conference under LCR 39.1, if requested by the parties, held no later than	February 29, 2024
All motions in limine must be filed by (see LCR 7(d))	March 20, 2024
Deposition Designations must be submitted to the Court by (see LCR 32(e))	April 8, 2024
Agreed pretrial order due	April 8, 2024
Trial briefs, proposed voir dire questions, and proposed jury instructions must be filed by	April 15, 2024
Pretrial conference	April 22, 2024

It is so ORDERED. The Clerk is directed to send uncertified copies of this Order to all counsel of record and to any party appearing pro se at that party's last known address.

1 Dated this 2nd day of June, 2023.

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5 United States District Judge
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